The Theatre and Film major nurtures creative expression and technical know-how while fostering intellectual curiosity, understanding and cultural awareness, leading to the Bachelor of Arts in Theatre and Film. Students choose a concentration in theatre, musical theatre or film within the context of a liberal arts education.

Possible career paths include professional performance, stage directing or managing; theatrical scenic, lighting and costume design; screen writing, directing and producing; and film editing and camera operating. Students are also prepared for graduate study in the discipline of their choice. But because the major develops creativity, technological acumen and analytic and organizational skills, students pursue careers in fields far beyond the boundaries of its disciplines.

Faculty members are accomplished professionals whose primary focus is to provide an excellent education that will develop students' individual talents. Internships for course credit are available for juniors and seniors who wish to engage in hands-on professional experience, including participation in a summer internship program in Los Angeles. Recent internship experiences have included Philadelphia’s Walnut Street Theatre, Columbia Pictures in Los Angeles and Pittsburgh Civic Light Opera, among others.

In addition, students participate in musical, theatrical and cinema events presented by the Department of Music, Theatre and Film throughout the academic year.

**LEARN MORE ABOUT THE THEATRE & FILM MAJOR:**

- Visit the Department Website: [http://www.sju.edu/academics/cas/mtf/index.html](http://www.sju.edu/academics/cas/mtf/index.html)
- Visit the College of Arts and Sciences Advising Support Center, located in Barbelin 122
- Contact the Theatre & Film Department to schedule a meeting with a faculty member by calling 610-660-2277
- Speak with current students in the major
- Schedule an appointment with the Career Development Center at 610-660-3100

**WHAT CAN I DO WITH A MAJOR IN THEATRE & FILM?**

Whatever you put your mind to! More information is available at [www.onetonline.org](http://www.onetonline.org). Following are descriptions of just a few of the careers you might pursue:

**Actor/Actress:** Play parts in stage, television, radio, video, motion picture productions, or other settings for entertainment, information, or instruction. Interpret serious or comic role by speech, gesture, and body movement to entertain or inform audience. May dance and sing.

**Choreographer:** Create new dance and stylized movement routines. Rehearse performance of routines. May direct and stage presentations.
**Stage Manager:** Provide practical and organizational support to the director, actors, designers, stage crew and technicians throughout the production process.

**Talent Directors:** Auditions and interviews performers to select most appropriate talent for parts in stage, television, radio, or motion picture productions.

**HOW CAN I ENGAGE MY INTEREST IN THEATRE & FILM OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM?**

SJU Theatre Company  
Greater Philadelphia Film Office

**OUTCOMES—A CLOSER LOOK AT SJU GRADUATES WITH DEGREES IN THEATRE & FILM:**

As depicted in the chart below, recent graduates have started their careers in a variety of industries (data from Saint Joseph’s University Career Development Center’s Post-Graduation Survey, Fine & Performing Arts Major, 2008 – 2012).

![Theatre Majors' Chosen Industries](chart)

**Here is a sampling of positions our graduates have accepted:**

- Account Executive
- Communications Intern
- Events Manager
- Field Service Agent
- Jewelry Specialist
- Singing Server

**Here is a sampling of additional job titles:**

- Audio/Video Technician
- Casting Director
- Independent Filmmaker
- Painter
- Publicist
- Sound/Special Effects Specialist
- Box Office Manager
- Costume Designer
- Lighting Technician
- Press Agent
- Scenic Designer
- Camera Operator
- Drama Coach
- Media Critic
- Production Assistant
- Script Supervisor
Some of the organizations that have hired our graduates include:

Creative Channel Services  
FOSTER & REDMUND  
Intellectual Disability Services  
Samuel T. Freeman & Co.  
Shire of Peppermint Grove  
Spirit Cruises

Sample work settings that hire Theatre & Film majors include:

Broadway Theatres  
Community Theatres  
Design Studios  
Entertainment/Media Companies  
Musical Theatres  
Orchestras  
Performing Arts Schools/Studios  
Talent Agencies  
Comedy Clubs  
Cruise Ships  
Dinner Theatres  
Film Production Studios  
Opera Companies  
Public Relations Firms  
Recording Studios  
Television, Motion Pictures

GETTING THE JOB—SAMPLE THEATRE & FILM MAJOR RESUME (SEE BELOW):
Theodora Film  
123 Broadway Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19131  
(215)-655-2121 theofilm2013@sju.edu

**Education**  
Saint Joseph’s University, Philadelphia, PA  
Bachelor of Arts in Theatre & Film and Bachelor of Arts in English  
Expected Graduation Date: May 2014  
Current GPA: 3.8  
Dean List (Fall 2010-Present)  
University Scholarship (Fall 2010- Present)

**Work Experience**  
*Artistic Associate Intern, ABC Community Theatre,* Philadelphia, PA  
1/2013-Present  
- Assist development of new plays at various stages of growth by providing artistic support, direction and feedback  
- Facilitate private readings, direct staged readings and workshops for public viewings  
- Assist in directing full productions of scripts in collaborations with producers

*Production Coordinator Intern, Keep It Real Productions,* New York, NY  
6/2013-8/2013  
- Worked directly with Producer and Production Manager to arrange studio and locations filming of “Hot Ruby Red”  
- Coordinated equipment rental, payroll, travel arrangements, purchase orders and footage research

*Marketing Intern, Walnut Street Theatre,* Philadelphia, PA  
5/2012-8/2012  
- Participated in various stages of print and online marketing campaigns  
- Promoted events within the arena through social media efforts  
- Assisted in the creation of mock ups, e-mail campaigns and on line promotion

*Booking Intern, Grace Logan Talent Agency,* Philadelphia, PA  
- Communicated with talent about potential projects  
- Assisted in coordinating in-office interviews with actors and models

*Office Assistant, Theatre & Film Department,* Saint Joseph’s University  
8/2010-4/2011  
- Greeted visitors, directed student traffic and organized files  
- Coordinated faculty schedules and helped maintain department website

**Saint Joseph’s University (SJU) Theatre Company Productions**  
Marketing Representative, *Miss Saigon,* 2012  
House Manager, *Jesus Christ Superstar* and *Hair,* 2011-2012

**Activities**  
Alpha Phi Fraternity, Sigma Tau Delta (National English Honor Society)  

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**FURTHER ASSISTANCE WITH YOUR MAJOR AND CAREER OPTIONS**

The Career Development Center can help you with the process of choosing a major and exploring your career options. For assistance, please call 610-660-3100 to schedule an appointment to meet with a Career Counselor.